

Two New York Women of Title Noted Among Brilliant Audience at Metropolitan Opera--Aviation Ball Arrangements Call Forth Extended Comment and Interest

THE waning season of Lent finds society far from inactive although no large entertainments have been given. The opera has been as brilliant as in the beginning of the winter and the audience gathered in the Metropolitan Opera House on Monday night was one of the most notable of the season. Among the newcomers in the parterre were two New York women who have gained rank by marriage, Mrs. Samuel Colgate, and the Countess de Jumilhac, who by her first marriage was Mrs. A. Lanier Norris. It is several years since either has visited New York. Lady Stratford is with her sister, Mrs. Alfred Kesler, and the Countess de Jumilhac, who is a sister of Mrs. Alfred Seton, is with relatives. Before her first marriage she was Miss Ethel Lovell, a daughter of the late Henry Barbey. Her mother, who was Miss Mary Lovell, a sister of the late Pierre Lorillard, has been living in Paris for some years. By a third marriage Lady Stratford became Mrs. Martin Kentland, but according to the English custom she retains her rank. Her daughter by her first marriage is Miss Adela Colgate.

Numerous dinners have been given of late, among the hostesses being Mrs. Vanderbilt, who a few nights ago had a large dinner for Brig.-Gen. and Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt. Mrs. Hamilton McK. Twombly and Mrs. Henry A. C. Taylor have been giving a series of dinners throughout Lent. Weddings of note and balls for charitable and philanthropic purposes will make Easter week the liveliest for two years, and judging from the numerous engagements announced there is likely to be a notable early summer season of weddings, most of which after this month will be held over until June.

Evidently the gala concert for the benefit of the Vacation Association at the Metropolitan Opera House on Tuesday night will be successful in every way, the advance sale of seats and boxes assuring financial success and also a notable audience. Among those who have purchased boxes or stalls are Mrs. Golet, Mrs. Edward S. Harkness, Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., Mrs. Edward R. Stettinius, Archer M. Huntington, Mrs. Charles Steele, Mrs. William E. Benjamin, Miss Clara Spencer, Mrs. Francis Carolan, Mrs. John O. H. Pitney, Mrs. William H. Nichols, Mrs. Penobscot Ogle, Mrs. Edwin Norton, Mrs. J. Henry Lancashire, Miss Mary Oloott, Augustus D. Juillard, Mrs. F. McNeil Bacon, Mrs. Hamilton Wilkes Cary, Mrs. Courtland D. Barnes, Mrs. Paul Morton, Mrs. Charles H. Ditson, Mrs. R. Horace Gallatin, Mrs. Whitney Warren, Miss Georgine Iselin, Mrs. Charles A. Childs, Mrs. Henry Phelps, Mrs. John Magee, Mrs. Walter E. Maynard, Mrs. Newbold LeRoy Edgar, Mrs. V. Watts Sherman, Mrs. H. Hartley Jenkins, Mrs. Beekman Whitthrop, Mrs. S. Stokes Halkett, Mrs. D. Cadwalader Jones and Mrs. Herbert L. Satterlee.

The soloists will be Mme. Geraldine Farrar of the Metropolitan Opera and Sergei Rachmaninoff, the Russian composer pianist, who will be heard with the Philadelphia Orchestra, directed by Leopold Stokowski. The omnibus box which is generally occupied by the Metropolitan Opera Club, through the generosity of Mrs. Daniel Guggenheim and members of her family has been secured for officers of the army and navy, while the boxes on the opposite side of the house will be given to nurses back from overseas.

No concert of this sort seems possible without a lot of programme sellers, who for this occasion will be under the direction of Mrs. George Barton French, the head of the committee, with the Misses Lucy Patterson, Constance Delaney, Mercer French, Helen Trevor, Katherine Lispenard, Seabury and Estelle O'Brien as special aids. Under their guidance in selling the programmes will be the Misses Constance Jennings, Lanier Comly, Cynthia Baldwin, Jane Sanford, Sophie Duer, Beatrice and Sheila Byrne, Eunice James, Margaret Kahn, Katharine T. Emmet, Edith Pratt, Mary Strange, Eva Stewart, Helen Cameron, Mary Colt, Polly Damrosch, Frances Fairchild, Jeanne Gould, Marion and Theodore Murray, Mary and Florence Clendenen, Caroline Knapp, Audrey Riker, Elizabeth Moffat, Katherine Kent, Elizabeth Chryatie, Melissa Yulle, Constance Peabody, Katharine Biles, Marguerite Doubleday, Helen Bull, Marion Gentry, Martha Otter, Thelma Seabury, Dorothy Moran, Clarice De Rham, Helen Hazan, Isabelle Wood, Laura Freeman, Nathalie

Hannah, Julia Shanley, Dorothy and Beth Leary.

One of the most recently planned entertainments for Easter week will be the aviation ball to be held in the ball room of the Ritz-Carlton on the night of April 26, and the financial results will be used for the erection of a clubhouse as a memorial to the officers of the army and navy air services who fell in the war. This ball will be given under the auspices of women of prominence in the social world and also of distinguished officers who saw service throughout the war. Among the patronesses are Mrs. John J. Chapman, Mrs. William Woodward, Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney, Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., Mrs. Laurence La K. Driggs, Mrs. John Purroy Mitchell, Mrs. Frederick R. Blakeman, Mrs. John Magee and Mrs. William J. Schieffelin. Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., is at the head of the entertainment committee.

Among the members of the ball committee are Major Thomas Hitchcock, Capt. Edward V. Rickenbacker, Capt. Douglas Campbell, Lieut. Thomas Hitchcock, Jr., Capt. Robert Potter Brees, Lieut. Dave Hennen Coddington, Lieut. Cornelius Vanderbilt Whitney and Lieut. Franklin F. Lant Jr. The patrons include some of the most distinguished officers of the army and navy. Tickets for the ball will be \$5 each, and there will be an extra charge for supper. All men of the service are requested to appear in uniform.

An attractive programme is being prepared for the entertainment and dance to be given April 23 in the ballroom of the Ritz-Carlton for the benefit of the Virginia Day Nursery, one of the oldest institutions of its kind in this country. It is situated at 622 East Fifth street and the officers are Mrs. Samuel Sloan, president; Mrs. H. Fairfield Osborn, Mrs. M. Barnes Schirmer and Mrs. Charles W. McAlpin, vice-presidents; Miss Laura V. Mackay, Mrs. Gordon Macdonald, Mrs. Day, treasurer, and Mrs. Philip Ash-ton Rollins, secretary. Among the directors are Misses Reginald L. G. Auchincloss, W. Rosester Betts, Richard V. N. Gamber, A. Perry Osborn, William E. S. Griswold, Charles Merrill Chapin, Arthur Turnbull, Frank Brown Keach, C. Blair Mitchell, Edward T. H. Talmage, Shepard Krech, Ellery S. James and D. Hunter McAlpin.

The Duchess de Richelieu and Frank Pollock are to sing and other artists will make an interesting programme in advance of the dance. Mrs. Newbold LeRoy Edgar is chairman of the dance committee, and among her assistants will be Mrs. Philip Armour, Mrs. George F. Baker, Mrs. J. Peter Cooper, Mrs. J. Henry Drexel, Mrs. Oliver D. Filley, Mrs. Sidney W. Fish, Mrs. Lydie Hoyt, Mrs. J. Couper Lord, Mrs. Charles de Looye Oelrichs, Mrs. A. Perry Osborn, Mrs. Ogden H. Pyne, Mrs. Joseph Thompson and Mrs. Joseph Walker Jr.

Among the many patronesses are Misses Charles B. Alexander, Edward Dean Adams, Marshall Field, William Woodward, W. Seward Webb, Walter Phelps Biles, Robert Potter Brees, William V. S. Thorne, Wesley Watson, Charles Scribner, Joseph W. Burden, Gordon Crawford, George B. Brewster, Seth Low, Warren McConhe, Herbert L. Satterlee, James Roosevelt and Monroe Douglas Robinson and Miss Caroline L. Morgan. Tickets for the concert and dance may be obtained of Mrs. H. Fairfield Osborn, 850 Madison avenue.

A sale of articles suitable for summer homes will be held April 25 by members of the St. Christopher's Guild of St. Mary's Free Hospital for Children at the home of Mrs. J. Woodward Haven, 15 East Seventy-ninth street, and it will be in charge of the Junior members of the guild, of which Mrs. W. Warner Hoppin, Jr., is president. The other officers are Mrs. Charles Bowring, Mrs. George P. Cammann and Miss Julia Coghill. The guild works in cooperation with the managers of the hospital, the president of which is Mrs. Henry Whitney Greer, and Mrs. Forsyth Wickes is the vice-president and Mrs. James Speyer the treasurer.

Among the members of the Junior Guild who will take part in the sale are the Misses Phyllis and Elsie Benckard, Kate and Ethel Haven, Sybil and Tatine Biles, May Hoppin, Margaret Stone, Beatrice and Olivia Gawtry, Abby Bowring, Carolyn Kip, Abby Rockefeller, Harriett Pratt, Marion and Edith Taylor, Caroline Talmage, Ruth and Lella Baldwin, Cornelia Livingston, Maud Oakes, Katharine and Alice Post, Betty Graham, Eliza Parish, Betty Franklin, Katharine Bright, Esther Stevens, Marion Millard, Fanny Wickes, Rhoda Low, May and Georgette Yeomans and Barbara Monell.

Arrangements for the Rainbow Ball for the benefit of the St. Ambrose Community Center, to be held at Sherry's on the night of April 21, are progressing favorably. The ball is being organized by members of the St. Timothy Alumnae Association, and it promises to be an artistic event. Mrs. John White Alexander is arranging some of the tableaux vivants that will be given in advance of the ball. One of them will represent a Pompeian frieze, in which will pose the Misses Margaret Starr, Dolly Kimball, Sheila Byrne, Lanier Comly, Melissa Yulle, Katherine Kent and Kitty Kimball. The color effects of this frieze will be given in a red and red. Other tableaux will be shown, and in addition to Mrs. Alexander the artists posing them will include George DeForest Brush, Barry Falkner, Paul Manish and Albert Steiner. Among the members of the ball committee are Mrs. Frederic A. Godley, Mrs. Thayer Adams, Mrs.



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The fifth and final meeting for this season of the sewing class in aid of the New York Nursery and Child's Hospital will be held to-morrow morning at the home of Mrs. Robert L. Gerry, 69 East Seventy-ninth street. The class this year has been most successful and a great amount of work has been accomplished. Special donations for the work have been made by Mrs. Vanderbilt, Mrs. Henry Phelps, Mrs. Gorman Bacon and Mrs. William Barbour. Among the many members are Mrs. Edward J. Berwind, Mrs. J. Gray Cleveland, Mrs. Chester Griswold, Mrs. J. Muhlenberg Bailey, Mrs. Stuart Duncan, Mrs. Frank R. Withersbee, Mrs. Algernon Sydney Sullivan, Mrs. Fairfax Landstreet, Mrs. Charles F. Roe, Mrs. Edward H. Peaslee, Mrs. Walter Oakley and Mrs. George G. King.

Persons of prominence in the social life of New York are greatly interested in the Rehearsal Club, at 220 West Forty-sixth street, which is designed to do for young women and children of the stage what the service clubs are doing for our soldiers and sailors at home and abroad. There will be held to-morrow afternoon at the Club from 3 to 4 a reception, when there will be afforded an opportunity to inspect the different departments, and classes will be in session.

The Club was opened in 1913 with a membership of twenty-five, which now has grown to more than three hundred. It provides an assembly room with a domestic atmosphere and personal contact of friendly advisers. Young actresses are in need of such surroundings and children of the stage who require instruction at special hours find there the only chance for a regular education. Rooms are obtainable at moderate prices and the school has grammar and advanced grades in which are taught French, elocution and singing.

The officers include Miss Jean Greer, daughter of Bishop Greer, president; Miss Alice Smith, vice-president;

Thomas M. McLane and Miss Lois Scoville, treasurers, and Mrs. Monroe Douglas Robinson, secretary. Among the directors are Mrs. Douglas Gibbons, Mrs. James B. Taylor, Mrs. Edward S. Harkness, Mrs. James M. Varnum, Miss Susan D. Biles, Mrs. Henry R. Hoyt, Mrs. J. Clifton Edgar, Mrs. Thomas McLane, Mrs. James Speyer, Mrs. John J. Riker, Mrs. William Sloane, Mrs. Allen M. Thomas, Mrs. John Jay Chapman, Mrs. William Sloane, Mrs. John S. Thacher, and Miss Beatrice Gordon Pratt. On the advisory board are Bishop David H. Greer, the Rev. Dr. Ernest M. Stiles, William Dean Embree, Mrs. Richard Mansfield, George B. Hedges, Dr. William S. Thomas and Francis P. Wilson. Mr. and Mrs. Coburn of "The Better Ole" will make addresses during the afternoon.

ago after twenty months service daughter, Miss Lucy Lathrop Patterson, to Lieut. Casimir de Rham, U. S. Army, who was recently promoted to the rank of Major. No date has been set for the wedding.

One of the Easter weddings will be that of Miss Elizabeth Smith, daughter of Mrs. Archibald Henderson Smith of 31 Glenbrook avenue, Stamford, Conn., to Hunter Van Bell Berg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles I. Berg of 34 Gramercy Park, this city. It will take place on Saturday afternoon, April 26, in the First Presbyterian Church, Stamford. Miss Louise Smith will be her sister's only attendant, and John Kerr will act as best man. Among the ushers will be H. Kierstede Hudson, Gayer G. Dominick, Walter Roeder, Beverly Eyre and W. Gage Brady, Jr. A reception will follow at the home of her father, Mr. Archibald Henderson Smith, 31 Glenbrook avenue, Stamford, Conn.

One of the recent weddings of interest was that of Miss Gertrude B. Williams, daughter of Robert Davidson Williams, was married to Capt. George Percy Begon, Coast Artillery Corps, Wednesday afternoon in the Chapel of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. The Rev. Dr. E. Briggs Nash performed the ceremony, after which there was a reception at the home of her father, Mr. Davidson Williams, 10 West End avenue. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a gown of white satin trimmed with point lace and a lace veil. She carried white orchids and lilies of the valley. She was attended by Mrs. Clifford Randall Jones and Miss Ethel F. Fernster. They wore costumes of orchid colored satin and chiffon, with hats to correspond, and carried bouquets of mauve orchids.

One of the weddings last week was that of Miss Ruth Baldwin Biles, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Phelps Biles, to Capt. Hermann C. Schwab, U. S. A., which took place Wednesday afternoon in Grace Church. The Rev. Dr. Charles Lewis Slattery, rector, assisted by the Rev. William G. Thayer of St. Mark's School, performed the marriage ceremony. About one hundred relatives witnessed the ceremony, and they were seated in the choir stalls in the chancel, which was screened from the rest of the church with tall palms and spring flowers. The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a gown of soft white satin completely covered with old point lace and a tulle veil. Her ornaments were a long necklace of large diamonds, the gift of the bridegroom, and a brooch of diamonds. Miss Katharine B. Biles was her sister's only attendant, and Henry B. Schwab acted as her brother's best man. The ushers were William Walter Phelps, Gouverneur Morris Carnochan, Harold M. Landon, William A. Taylor, Jr., and Irving Schickel. A small reception followed at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Schwab.

The wedding was originally arranged for Easter week but was advanced as Capt. Schwab is compelled to make a trip to China at this time for the firm of Oelrichs & Co., with which he is connected. He and his bride will sail on April 17 for the Orient. On their return in September they will live at 150 East Seventy-second street.

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Lines, for the bride. This was followed by a second ceremony in St. Joseph's Chapel, an American Catholic Church, attended the couple. The ceremony was followed by a breakfast.

The bride at the beginning of the European war went to France to drive a motor car at the front. She returned here for a while because of her mother's illness, but when the United States entered the war returned to France, and was engaged in instructing soldiers suffering from shell shock. She then met Capt. Kuhn, with whom she was slightly acquainted here.

Capt. Kuhn is a son of John J. Kuhn of Brooklyn and was a member of the law firm of Dyckman, Oeland & Kuhn before enlisting. He was in the battle of the Argonne, St. Mihiel and Chateau



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Thierry as liaison officer and was promoted for his bravery. He is now in the Judge Advocate's office of the First Army.

Capt. Kuhn and his bride expect to arrive in this country about the middle of May.

In the Church of the Pilgrims, Brooklyn, Miss Florence Isabelle Baker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George William Baker of Clinton avenue, will be married Wednesday to C. Morton Stafford, son of the late Willis E. Stafford and Mrs. Stafford. The ceremony will be followed by a reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Baker.

The wedding of Miss Dorothy Lett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Lett of this city to Stanley A. Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Brown of Chicago, was celebrated Wednesday evening at the Hotel Chatham. Only relatives and a few intimate friends were present at the ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. Dr. Silverman. Miss Catherine Lett was maid of honor and Reynolds Brown best man. The bride is captain of the Woman's Motor Corps of Deal, N. J., and during the war worked for the soldiers at Camp Vail and Camp Mills. Her father is Major of the Borough of Deal.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Bayer of 55 East Ninety-sixth street have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Florence Bayer, to Israel Finkelstein, son of Mrs. E. Finkelstein. No date has been set for the wedding.

General Notes of Society

MISS MARJORIE KEHOE, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Kehoe of Passaic, N. J., will be married to-morrow in this city, to Major Bailey Coffenberg of Staten Island, a member of the United States Marine Corps, who saw service in the battles of Chateau Thierry and Belleau Wood, where he was twice wounded. The bride's father is City Commissioner of Passaic.

Miss Hazel Hopkins, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Porter Hopkins of 186 Clinton avenue, Brooklyn, will be married April 20 to Emory Lynden Ford of Grosse Pointe Shore, Mich. The wedding will take place at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Hopkins and will be witnessed only by members of both families.

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Lieut. Lucien G. Henderson was the best man, and the ushers were Lieut. Charles R. Jackson and Wilmer H. Carter. Ensign Roscoe C. Taylor and Franklin W. Carter. Capt. Begon recently returned from active service overseas. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jackson Begon of Harrisonburg, Va. After their wedding trip to Europe the bride will reside at 70 Riverside Drive.



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